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Subject: RE: Draft OHA letter for R10 Review -- revised 06 08

All – As a matter of explanation, I think it's important to differentiate between what they know about where nitrates are (in the aquifer), versus what they don't know related to actual homes using wells tapped into contaminated groundwater. They know the movement through their network of wells; what they don't know is how many homes use private wells, where they're at and whether they have nitrates above 10.

It's a fine point, but a distinction with a difference. Let me know if a discussion would be helpful.

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Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

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Peter, et al.:

Building off of Mat's comments/edits below, for your consideration:

Ex. 5 Attorney Client (AC)

Thanks,
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Peter, I concur with everything except I think a clarity of the key point has gotten a little lost. I suggested this addition to the 2nd paragraph. The yellow highlight is my addition. It's in the document you shared as well.

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

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Jeff/Mat/Clarke: Attached is my attempt at revising the letter follow last week's briefing.

Please review and comment in the document.

Carol: This version has not been reviewed by other R10 reviewers yet, and is not ready for broader OECA (OGC) or OW review. I am sharing with you for early coordination and communication only to expedite the process.

Thanks,

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Thanks Peter. Can we please touch base briefly on Tuesday about the revised letter to Oregon? I'm meeting with Rosemarie in the morning and plan to tell her the Region has the pen, but that OECA will see a revised version this week that Susan can review.

Please let me know how I can help.

Thanks,
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FYI ONLY....Nick Peak shared this morning at WD hot topics --Food and Water Watch is the organization who sent the petition for SDWA 1431 in Lower Umatilla. Not sure how many other matters they are looking into in other regions...

<https://www.foodandwaterwatch.org/news/groups-sue-epa-unlawfully-using-clean-water-act-let-factory-farms-pollute-secretly>

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